

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1313

By Powell

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Akilah Dasilva of Nashville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the tragic, untimely passing of Akilah Dasilva; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dasilva was an exceptional young man with unlimited potential, whose creative talents as a musician, videographer, and performer would surely have seen him achieve his dreams of success; and

WHEREAS, at only twenty-three years of age, Akilah Dasilva was fatally wounded by a gunman at the Waffle House in the Antioch neighborhood of Metropolitan Nashville on April 22, 2018; and

WHEREAS, performing under the name "Natrix Dream," Mr. Dasilva was devoted to his music and kept up an online archive of work he produced, sometimes in coordination with his brother, Abede; and

WHEREAS, all who were fortunate to know him have extolled Mr. Dasilva's many virtues; he was known as an extremely gifted and talented artist who possessed a bright light that was extinguished much too soon; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the all-too-brief life of this exceptional young man; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Akilah Dasilva, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Dasilva.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.